PRESIDENT: You cannot press him further, as he has claimed notice.

Remission of tax in malaria-affected areas.

398. ✻**MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the people of Neyyattinkara belonging to the areas affected by the recent malaria epidemic have made representations to Government praying for the remission of tax and other concessions for some time;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, what action the Government have taken thereon; and

(*c*) whether the Division Peishkar has submitted any report on such representations and, if so, when, and to what effect?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) & (*c*) The Government sanctioned the suspension of all coercive proceedings for the realisation of tax till the end of Vrischikam 1111 and the acceptance of arrears of 1110 along with the first *kist* of 1111 in the case of people rendered helpless on account of epidemic diseases.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Am I to understand from the answer to parts (*b*) and (*c*) that the Government have not extended any concession in the shape of remission of tax to the people other than what has been stated to those rendered helpless on account of epidemic diseases?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): That is so.

MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): Is it a fact that since 1111 coercive steps are being taken for the realisation of all arrears of revenue?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Yes. Coercive steps will be taken if arrears of revenue are not paid up according to demand.

Concessions to ryots in malaria-affected areas.

399. ✻**MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state what, if any, are the special concessions granted to the ryots in the areas affected by the recent malaria epidemic in the taluk of Neyyattinkara and the surrounding parts, with special reference to the payment of tax to the Sirkar?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): Suspension of all coercive proceedings for the realisation of arrears of tax till the close of Vrischikam 1111 and the acceptance of arrears of tax for 1110 along with the first *kist* for 1111, in deserving cases were ordered by Government, in the taluks of Nedumangad, Neyyattinkara and Vilavankod.

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